

# LILLIES NEW PROPHECY: OR,

Strange and Wonderful Predictions, relating to the Year, 1678. As well from the late *Blazing-Star*; The great Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Mars*, and other Figures and Aspects of the Heavenly Bodies.

Wherein the Future State and Condition of Nations, and the Flourishing Happiness of *England* and *Holland* is Foretold and Asserted. With Particular Considerations Concerning Quarrels and disagreements between Men and their Wives; Plenty and Scarcity of the Earth, when to be Feared or Expected the Issue of Wars, and hopes of a General Peace throughout *Europe*.

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*Solers Natura, et rerum Genitabilis Ordo,  
Certa suis studiis affixit signa futuris.*

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NEW

Predictions, &c.

**P**rognostications, or the fore-telling of future Events relating to Kingdoms or States, saith one of our Wisest Historians that our Nation hath produc'd, are Seeds scattered in the vast Field of Time, 'tis extream

Ill hap if none of them take, but so it is that according to the Proverb, Many of them are thick sown, but thin come up: When Female Euthusiasts or Novices in Art will be venturing their fond Dreams abroad, we may conclude them fit to fulfill the old Prophecies, *That false Prophets shall arise, &c.* Rather than to be the Authours of any solid or real *New Ones*; yet we affirm with the profound *Paracelsus*, *That Ascendens Constellatum multa revelat querentibus Magnalia Naturæ*; Many people studious searching into the secrets of Nature, may by their good Genius have misteries revealed and discovered to them.

In *April* last we may remember there appeared a Comet, seen first by several of our Country people; in *Surry* on *Wednesday* Morning, the 18th of that Month, and on Sunday following, found by observation at 28 minutes past three in the morning, to be in the 14 degree of the Sign *Taurus*, with 17 degrees of North Latitude, direct in its motion, moving 2 degree and a half, or thereabouts in a day, its head scarce a Minute broad, its Tayl pointing to the Knee of *Cassiopeia* about five or six degrees long, now for every degree, we usually allow 60 miles, whereas it

will appear, that the train or Tayl of this Meteor, though appearing to the naked Eye not above three yards, was yet in truth above three hundred miles; such mighty Correspondent Effects, *Omnes Cometa significant Magnos Eventus in Mundo*; They appear not in vain, but are beheld, that they may shew wonder, at hand, that being thus admonished from Heaven, we may amend our lives upon Earth, and indeavour by Repentance to prevent or mitigate those Judgements intended against us; would you hear that Judicious Wit of France, I mean the Divine *Dubartias*, thus he expresses their Errand.

These Blazing-Stars threaten the World with Famine, Plague, and Wars, &c. Yet note, they are not the causes, but onely Fore-runners, Signs, or Heralds, to proclaim the approach of such calamities; but since these Portents are chiefly manifested in those Countries, subject to the Asterisme, wherein they are posited; which here was the Cel-stial Sign *Taurus*, we have good grounds in art to Judge that the effects have little or no Relation to *England*; but *Russia*, *Poland*, *Sweedland*, *Norway*, *Sicily*, *Algeir*, *Lorrain*, *Rome*, and other Countries subject to that Sign; must more or less, be liable to scarcity of provisions, sorrows,

sorrows, terrors, loss of Cattel in great numbers, Tempests at Sea, monstrous floods, strange thunder and hail, destruction of fruit by Cater-pillars, or general devastation, and much blood-shed where Armies are near; and in a word; *Significat malum esse hominum, &c.* It denotes much evil to befall Mankind; As poverty, tedious Diseases, &c. and that they shall prejudice, injure, and destroy one another.

At the Suns entrance into *Aries*, the Angles of the figure are partly fixt, partly movable; which signifies, sundry inconstant Counsels. That most Nations wearied with the miseries of Warr are panting after Peace: and we do plainly deliver our opinion, that unless the Almighty hath decreed, to put in execution some further Vengeance and Calamities, against the Nations of *Europe*, for their provoking Sins, according to the Booke of Nature, and Art: we must conclude there will not be so much effusion of blood during this revolution, as in some years by-past, for there is no Planet Angular but the Moon, so that things seem to be carried on fairly, with mutual friendship, and great probability of agreement: yet fraudulent Intreagues are concealed under those specious pretensions, by some self design-

designing Counsels, which will endanger the millenage of many hopefull projects.

The next Summer will unquestionless prove a very active time; great things are on the Anvil in most parts of *Europe*; but the *English* Nation remains in a very flourishing condition, the People thereof in a quiet and peaceable posture at home, and by the Mercies of God, and Care of his Vicegerent our gracious Princee, at Peace with all Nations in the World abroad, except those Pyrateing Infidels in the Streights, whose perfidious Vilanies we find will be severely chastized by the gallant Commanders, and valliant Sea-men; serving his Majesty in those parts; to the great weakening, if not the total destruction of some of those Nests of Robbers, common pests of Trade and Commerce.

01 *Jupiter* is in trine to the Moon, which in the dialect of Heaven speaks thus much: that good Lawes shall not only be made; but justly executed: that men in power shall consult the Peoples intrests, in their Counsels and undertakings, and give encouragement to Ingeniuities; and matters of publique benefit. Many Agents are employed by diuers Princes, for the composing of differences, and perhaps our Nation as it hath

hath had the Honour of principal Mediation,  
may likewise be the Scen wherein a general  
Blessing to *Cristendom* may be brought forth,  
*Faxit deus.*

'Tis feared that many Chronical or tedious  
Diseases will very suddenly shew themselves  
as part of the Comets effects, especially Consump-  
tions, new and unusual: Colds of long continu-  
ance, violent Coughs, Agues of several kinds,  
and some such as have rarely before been heard  
of: griping in the Guts will cause many to dye,  
and cold Phlegmatick Diseases much afflict  
young Children.

Private Families in many places will suffer  
great distractions and confusions by reason of  
intestine brawls and contentions: men and their  
Wives, will be apt to fall out causlessly, or to  
break the bands of Marriage, and their holy  
Vows, by forsaking each other, committing A-  
dultries and other Enormities, whence many  
Suits about Alimony and Divorce shall ensue.

The general fruits of the Earth are like to be  
plentifull, yet Corn in a rising condition, but  
to that degree only, as may encourage the Far-  
mer, and not pinch the Poor. The Winter  
like to prove sharp and tedious, yet not compar-  
able to the last. the Spring moist, and  
back-



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backwards by reason of unseasonable frosts :  
much Thunder, Lightning, and troublsome  
weather About June, and the actions of Men  
no less turbulent than the Air.

To conclude, as to our Nation and affairs,  
the Heavens behold us with propitious beams,  
offering (according to the course of natural  
causes) the continuance of Peace and prosperity :  
but Sin can restrain the *Sweet influences of the*  
*Pleiades* and make our *Earth as Iron*, and our  
Heaven *as Brass*. Let us not provoke so gra-  
cious a God with our transgressions, nor pluck  
down divine Vengeance upon our heads by  
our own Iniquities, *as with Cart-Ropes*, but  
walk humbly before our Maker, in *Sobriety and*  
*righteousness*, executing Justice, and Charity to-  
wards the poor; then shall we not need to fear  
the *Signs of Heaven*, nor the threatening Aspects  
of Stars, when Influenced by the *Sun of Righte-*  
*ousness*; but rest in safety under his *healing Wings*,  
joyning the fruits of our Labours, and singing  
praises to his holy name, and have none to make  
us afraid: To which happy state may the grace  
of God (which alone can do it) direct us all,  
that we may lead godly and peaceable Lives in  
this World, and obtain everlasting Bliss and hap-  
piness, in that which is to come; *Amen. FINIS.*

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